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Title: PET TOYS INCORPORATING MULTIPLE HARDNESS SECTIONS

Group Art Unit:

Examiner:

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This is a Continuation application of pending prior application No. 10/288,960 filed November 5, 2002. The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied, is considered to be part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference.

Enclosed for filing with the above-identified utility patent application, please find the following:

- 1. [X] Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
- 2. [X] Copy of Oath/Declaration from the above-referenced pending prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
- 3. [X] Information Disclosure Statement (IDS/PTO-1449)
- 4. [X] Preliminary Amendment
- 5. [X] Submission of Formal Drawings (including 5 sheets of Drawings)
- 6. [X] Return Postcard (MPEP 503) (should be specifically itemized)
- 7. [X] A check in the amount of \$385.00 is enclosed.

## FEE CALCULATION:

Cancel in this application original Claims 1 -33 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee.

					SMALL ENTITY			LARGE ENTITY	
	,	COL. 1 O. FILE	•	(COL. 2*) NO. EXTRA	RATE	FEE		RATE	FEE
BASIC FEE:						\$385.00	OR		\$770.00
TOTAL CLAIMS:	3		20	0	X \$9 =	\$0.00	OR	X \$18 =	
INDEP. CLAIMS:	3	-	3	0	X \$43 =	\$0.00	OR	X \$86 =	
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS					+ \$145 =	\$0.00 OR +\$290 =			
*IF THE DIFFERENCE IN COL. 2 IS LESS THAN ZERO, ENTER "O" IN COL. 2.					TOTAL:	\$385.00			

## **OTHER INFORMATION:**

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- 3. [X] The prior application is assigned to Kong Company LLC.
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Dear Sir:

Enclosed are five (5) sheets of formal, inked drawings illustrating Figs 1, 1A, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15 of the application. Figs. 1-15 constitute all of the drawings in the application.

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